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- King County Learning Links
<https://extension.wsu.edu/king/learning-links-4-h-and-more/>
- Yakima County 4-H From Home
<https://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-hfromhome/>
- Yakima County 4-H website:
<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/>
- Yakima County Facebook Page:
<http://www.facebook.com/YakimaCounty4H>
- State 4-H Website: <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/>
- WSU Extension Publications,
<https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/>
- <https://volunteers.cahnrs.wsu.edu/logon.aspx>
- Central Washington Junior Livestock Show
www.centralwashingtonjuniorlivestockshow.com
- Annual 4-H Club Plans Due
<https://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-forms/4-h-financial-forms-and-irs-filing-information/>

We're "here"! We are here to help and answer questions via phone, email, text, or video-conference. All WSU Extension Offices are closed to the public. Yakima County Extension staff and faculty are teleworking; balancing caring for themselves and loved ones, moving current projects and programs forward, and supporting the 4-H community.

Current events: In alignment with the "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order, all Yakima County 4-H events, now through **May 4th**, will transition to a virtual format, or be postponed or canceled. It is possible that our program's ban on in-person activities will extend to **mid-June** to align with local school districts. More details about specific events will be shared as soon as possible. Concerns about COVID-19 are evolving rapidly, so the 4-H office is working to draft contingency plans for late spring events to review with event leadership and implement as necessary. More details about specific events will be shared as soon as possible.

All clubs are asked to either (A) reformat any in-person meetings, now through May 4th, to occur via video-conference, phone conference, Facebook groups, or email, or (B) postpone or cancel planned club meeting activities. We recommend Zoom video-conferencing. It is a great tool, with or without health-concerns, to help groups stay connected. If you need help setting up an account, let us know!

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COUNTY & COMMUNITY

Thinking of you: We hope this newsletter finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy. During this difficult time, it has been wonderful to see our community come together to support one another. Please continue to encourage one another and show your support for our community with the generosity we know our 4-H families already practice. Stay safe, flatten the curve, and take care of yourself and each other. If you have any questions or concerns, or know of 4-H families struggling with their project, please contact us for support.



4-H from Home: Please check out the new “4-H from Home” page on our website for resources to support club activities, independent project learning, families learning activities, and more!

Get Outside! The Yakima Area Arboretum organized a collection of free activities and directions to local public green spaces and outdoor organizations in and around Yakima for you and your family. We hope you have been finding time to get fresh air and enjoy the spring weather.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK



April 19-25. National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to celebrate the impact of volunteer service and the power of volunteers to tackle society's greatest challenges, to build stronger communities and be a force that transforms the world. Each year, we shine a light on the people and

causes that inspire us to serve, recognizing and thanking volunteers who lend their time, talent and voice to make a difference in their communities. National Volunteer Week was established in 1974 and has grown exponentially each year, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week. Today, as people strive to lead lives that reflect their values, the expression of civic life has evolved. Doing good comes in many forms, and we recognize and celebrate them all. Points of Light: Shining a light on the people and causes that inspire us to serve: <https://www.pointsoflight.org/nvw/>. The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) is the premier volunteer awards program, encouraging citizens to live a life of service through presidential gratitude and national recognition: <https://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/>. We encourage you to take a look around, be inspired and take positive action that changes the world!

SEWING AT HOME

Remember that all your home sewing projects (quilts, clothing, pillow cases, the list is endless) created over the next few weeks can be used for Fashion Revue and entered in local fairs later in the fair season. Information and forms for Fashion Revue are available on our website.



FUN IN YOUR CLOSET

Going through your closet while you are home? Remember 4-H Creative Consumer Fashion is a part of the Fashion Revue and Fashion Show. These 4-H fashion events will be rescheduled for later in the 4-H year. This is a chance to go through your clothing in your closet and put together an outfit of your choice to model at Fashion Revue and the Fashion Show. You can create an outfit for an event or with a theme. You will explain why you chose clothing pieces and accessories. Here is a way to show off your creativity and fashion sense from your home, without spending a dime. While we are staying at home, if you send us a photo of your creative consumer fashion ideas from home, we will post those photos on Facebook. Please contact Jenny Loyd if you have questions. Looking forward to viewing 4-H fashion!

INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR 4-H PRODUCERS

<https://extension.wsu.edu/animalag/youth-producers/>

Beef: Meating the Grade: Raising Market-Ready 4-H Beef Projects; Do You Have Lousy Animals?

Goats: Goat Project: 4-H Leader Guide Dairy Goat Show Procedures; Selecting a 4-H/FFA Meat Goat Project Animal; Training, Grooming and Showing Market Goats

Sheep: Monitoring Your Lamb's Progress; Training, Grooming and Showing Market Lambs; Successfully Slick Shearing Show Lambs

Swine: Monitoring Your Show Pig's Progress; Parasite Control in Show Pig Projects

Resources: WSU Veterinary Medicine Extension; WSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital; Washington State Department of Agriculture Animal Health.

did you know...

In April,

- 1, 1826 The internal combustion engine is patented by Samuel Morey.
- 2, 1513 Juan Ponce de Leon sets foot on Florida becoming the first known European to do so.
- 3, 1972 The first ever Mobile phone call is placed
- 4, 1969 Dr. Denton Cooley implants the first temporary artificial heart.
- 5, 1621 The Mayflower sets sail from Plymouth on a return trip to Great Britain.
- 6, 1930 The Hostess Twinkie is invented.
- 8, 1893 First recorded college basketball game occurs
- 13, 1902 James C. Penney opens his first store
- 14, 1849 First edition of the Webster Dictionary
- 15, 1923 Insulin first became generally available for use by diabetics
- 20, 1926 Sound is added to film for the first time
- 22, 1970 First Earth Day celebrated.
- 24, 1990 The Hubble Space Telescope is launched by the Space Shuttle Discovery.

- 27, 1773 The British Parliament passes the Tea Act
- 30, 1789 George Washington becomes the first President of the USA.

TEEN NEWS

4-H TEEN ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The 2020 University of Idaho State Teen Association Conference scheduled for **June 22-25, 2020** is being reformatted into a virtual conference, to take place over the same dates. Stay tuned! The good news is the event will now be open to more Washington 4-H teens!

FAIR / SHOW NEWS

CENTRAL WASHINGTON JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

On March 27th CWJLS announced that the upcoming show was canceled but exhibitors should still complete all final entry cards (do not submit entry fee) by **April 15th**. CWJLS is organizing a support fund; all exhibitors that send in final entries will be able to receive monies from that fund. Please visit their website for more details or follow their updates on Facebook.

****Keep an eye on the CWJLS website for details**

LIVESTOCK PROJECT CONSIDERATIONS

Although many families have already purchased project animals, many others are getting ready to acquire theirs. All animal and agriculture endeavors come with an element of risk, such as not making weight or meeting sale requirements, animals becoming ill or other situations preventing exhibition or sale. However, we recognize that there is an additional risk this year in purchasing these projects; considering these project animals are specifically being purchased to exhibit and sell at upcoming community events.

While spring events have been canceled or postponed, we remain hopeful that summer fairs, shows, and sales will still be held, however, youth exhibitors should consider alternate plans for their project animals in the event that late summer community events are affected by the continued spread of coronavirus.

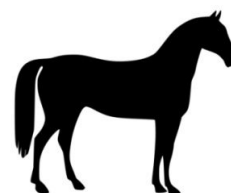
As an alternative to a market animal, youth may consider purchasing a breeding animal (e.g., gilt, ewe, doe, breeding beef, dairy heifer) and retain to begin their own herd/flock or sell later as a breeding animal. With a breeding project, youth still participate in fitting and showing, herdsman'ship, and other fair/show activities. You may consider purchasing a smaller animal such as poultry or rabbit and sell in a fur and feather sale if your market sale includes these species.

Youth can still register at <http://yqca.org> and certify through web-based YQCA training. In-person YQCA training will resume when the ban on large gatherings and social distancing is removed.

ANIMAL OWNERSHIP TIMELINES

4-H members need to be completely enrolled and their animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for the following periods of time prior to the official county exhibit activity, including junior livestock shows:

Rabbits and Poultry – 45 days **Cavies – 45 days**
Dogs – 60 days **Cats – 60 days** **Goat – 60 days**
Llama – 90 days
Sheep and Swine (breeding and market) – **60 days**
 (Swine see rule 5C for CWJLS) – **90 days**
Equine – 90 days (make sure your horse certificate is on file 90 days before first show/event)
Dairy – 90 days Dairy Heifer Replacement – 60 days
 (make sure your dairy certificate is on file 90 or 60 days before your first show/event)
Market Beef – 120 days, Breeding Beef – 90 days
 Animals raised by the 4-H member from birth or hatching are exempt from the minimum time periods.



SBR HORSE SHOW DATES

The Sagebrush Riders 2020 Horse show dates are **May 30th and August 1st**. It is possible that the May 30th show will be postponed or reformatted to fit public health guidelines. If you have questions, please contact Netta Haller at zerbert@fairpoint.net.
<https://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/4-h-horse-events/>

OLD MILL COUNTRY STORE WORKSHOPS

The Old Mill Country Store has some fun; informative classes planned in the next couple of months and would like to invite all 4-H kids and parents to attend! There is no charge to attend classes, but they do ask that you RSVP to save a seat at 509-225-2495.

The date is Thursday **May 7th**, for Goat Owners. For questions please call Heather at 509-225-2495.

STATE NEWS

Hippology Academy is Back!

Hippology Academy courses are available again, as of February 17th, through extension.horses.org. All courses are online, so they are accessible anytime. Silver Level registrations have access to Professors of the Week and course access for nine months; Bronze Level registrations have access for six months. For more information, .

NEW GUIDES FOR THE 4-H HORSE ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM!

New Guides for the 4-H Horse Advancement Program are now available; they have been updated from 1993 versions. 4-H Advancement Programs are competency designed programs for 4-H leaders to assist 4-H members to navigate their projects. This 4-H Horse Advancement Program is designed as a checklist to build the competency and confidence of 4-H Horse members. During the process of working through the Steps, the 4-H members will gain skills and experiences necessary to have success in the 4-H Horse Program. The 4-H Horse Advancement Program Guides are published through WSU Publications store. <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/>



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“WSU Yakima County Extension empowers our families, communities, and local partners through a network of educators and volunteers to provide research-based outreach and creative solutions to enhance agricultural productivity, environmental stewardship, and quality of life.”

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DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 2020

7	Old Mill Country Store – Goat Owners Workshop 6:30 pm	Heather 509-225-2495
14	WVF Show Meeting – Blue Barn 7pm	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
18	YVF&R Show Meeting – Livestock Building 6:30pm	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
21	CWJLS Post Show Meeting – Show Office 7pm	
30	Sagebrush Riders Horse Show	Netta Haller 952-5419

JUNE 2020

11	WVF Show Meeting – Blue Barn 7pm	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
15	YVF&R Show Meeting – Livestock Building 6:30pm	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
22-25	Teen Conference – University of Idaho, Stay tune for information on virtual conference	
25-28	Washington State Junior Horse Show – State Fair Park	Kim Lansing 509-539-0247
27	Fun Fair – State Fair Park Valley Building	Jenny 574-1600

JULY 2020

9	WVF Show Meeting – Blue Barn 7pm	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
20	West Valley Fair Dog Show	Becky Johnson 509-969-7565
20	West Valley Fair Horse Show	Janet Boucher 509-949-0864
20	YVF&R Show Meeting – Livestock Building 6:30pm	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
22-25	West Valley Fair	Greg Boisselle 941-8720

AUGUST 2020

1	Sagebrush Riders Horse Show	Netta Haller 952-5419
5-8	Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
13	WVF Show Meeting – Blue Barn 7pm	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
17	YVF&R Show Meeting – Livestock Building 6:30pm	Yvonne Graham 305-1871